

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests re-consideration of the application in view of the arguments presented below.

Summary of Office Action

Claims 1-20 are pending.

Claims 1-20 were provisionally rejected on grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-25 of co-pending application no. 10/749,875.

Response to nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejections

Claims 1-20 were provisionally rejected on the grounds of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-25 of co-pending application no. 10/749,875.

Accompanying this Amendment is a terminal disclaimer that terminally disclaims the present application against co-pending application no. 10/749,875. Accordingly, applicant submits that application no. 10/749,875 has been obviated as a reference.

Applicant respectfully submits that the nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection has been overcome.

Conclusion

In view of the arguments presented above, applicant respectfully submits the applicable rejections have been overcome. Accordingly, claims 1-20 should be found to be in condition for allowance.

If there are any issues that can be resolved by telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (512) 858-9910.

Respectfully submitted,

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